IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 1, with the following paragraph:

~~DESCRIPTION~~TITLE OF THE INVENTION

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5, with the following paragraph:

~~TECHNICAL FIELD~~BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 18, with the following paragraph:

~~BACKGROUND ART~~Description of the Related Art

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 10, with the following paragraph:

~~DISCLOSURE~~ SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 3, with the following paragraph:

~~BEST MODE FOR CARRYING OUT THE INVENTION~~DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 25, with the following paragraph:

FIG. 3 is a pair of explanatory views (A) and (B) showing a process for causing the carrier agent to float up and a process for removing unnecessary carrier agent, respectively;

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FIG. 5 is an explanatory ~~view~~ views (A) and (B) showing re-dispersion of toner solid after removal of a carrier agent;

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 8, with the following paragraph:

FIG. 7 is a pair of explanatory views (A) and (B) showing the effect of a carrier-agent-removing process in color printing by illustrating the color toner layers when the removal of the carrier agent is not performed in each transfer of toner image in each color (A) and illustrating the color toner layers when the removal of the carrier agent is performed in each transfer of toner image in each color (B);

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 24, with the following paragraph:

FIG. 13 is a pair of explanatory views ~~showing~~ illustrating the conditions of a transfer of a toner image onto a printing medium in a melt transfer process wherein (A) represents a diagram of forces and (B) is a graph illustrating the dependence of the forces on the viscoelasticity modulus;